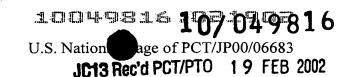
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## **APPENDIX**

Changes to Claims:

The following are marked-up versions of the amended claims:

- 3. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 1 either one of elaims 1 and 2, wherein the rust-preventive additive includes at least one of an alkalescent additive and an acidulous additive.
- 4. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 1 either one of elaims 1 and 2, wherein the rust-preventive additive includes an alkaline additive and an acidic additive.
- 7. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 4 any one of claims 4 to 6, wherein the acidic additive is selected out of the group consisting of triazole compounds, phosphoric acid compounds, and organophosphoric acid compounds.
- 8. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 1 any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the rust-preventive additive causes said coolant for fuel cells to have a hydrogen ion exponent of about 6 to 9.
- 9. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 1 any one of elaims 1 to 8, wherein the rust-preventive additive causes said coolant for fuel cells to have a low electric conductivity of less than about 100 µS/cm.
- 10. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 1 any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein the rust-preventive additive especially has rust-preventive performance against aluminum material.
- 13. (Amended) A coolant in accordance with claim 11 either one of claims 11 and 12, said coolant is decontaminated by a coolant decontamination system using either one of an ion exchange resin and a chelating resin.

- 14. (Amended) A coolant in accordance with claim 1 any one of claims 1 to 13, said coolant has undergone deoxidization.
- 15. (Amended) A method of enclosing a coolant in accordance with any one of elaims 1 to 13 claim 1 in a cooling circuit for a stack of fuel cells, said method comprising the steps of: deoxidizing said coolant; and enclosing said deoxidized coolant with an inert gas in said cooling circuit.
- 16. (Amended) A cooling system for a stack of fuel cells, said cooling system comprising: a coolant in accordance with <u>claim 1</u> any one of claims 1 to 13; and a cooling circuit in which said coolant and an inert gas are enclosed.